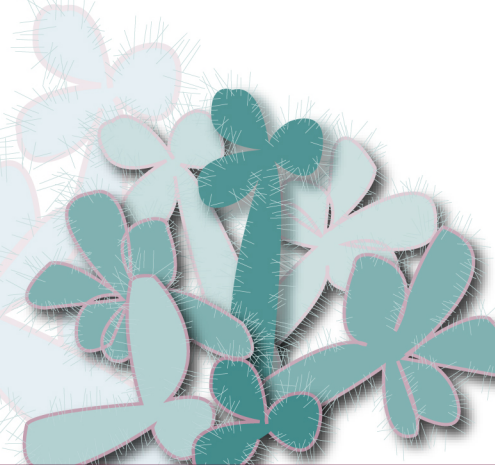




# Cholla District Network News



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## Water Watchers Program.

Water Watchers provides students with the unique opportunity to meet environmental professionals and learn about what they can do to become more water wise. Glendale Water Conservation staff provide interactive "Discovery Stations," where students gain hands-on experience with 3-D models of groundwater and watershed systems, investigate desert plant adaptations and construct their own dams.

Teachers interested in learning more about Water Watchers or the new Watt Watchers program, can call (623) 930-3535 for more information.

**Boards and Commissions.** The Glendale City Council recently appointed several residents to serve on advisory boards and commissions. Congratulations and thanks to the following Cholla District residents who have volunteered to serve:

Jeff Blake, Board of Adjustment; Bradley Meek (chair), Citizens Bicycle Advisory Committee; Pattie Johnston and Karen Mankoski, Community Development Advisory Committee; John Catledge, Industrial Development Authority; Dana Dale, Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission; Richard Westby, Personnel Board; Larry Clark, Public Safety Personnel Retirement System/Fire Board; Larry Clark, Public Safety Personnel Retirement System/Police Board; and John Stern (chair) Risk Management/Worker's Compensation Trust Fund Board.

These volunteer citizen advisory groups research, study and discuss specific Glendale projects and issues and then forward their recommendations to the City Council.

To request an application to serve on a city advisory group or for more information, [click here](#) or call the Council Office at (623) 930-2249.

**Christmas in July.** Stop by to see Santa and celebrate the joy of the season early on Saturday, July 17 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and enjoy a fun-filled day of holiday crafts, sweet treats and exclusive deals in Historic Downtown Glendale.

Christmas cheer begins at the Glendale Visitor Center, where you'll pick up your holiday map, coupons and gift bag (for the first 500 visitors) and take a spin on the prize wheel.

Christmas music will play throughout the neighborhood as downtown businesses offer fun-filled holiday activities, including decorating a Cerreta's Chocolate Christmas tree, card-making at The Creative Quest, and gingerbread man cookies at Shelley's Specialty Desserts, all for a nominal fee.

In the spirit of holiday giving, the Glendale Visitor Center, 5800 W. Glenn Drive, Suite 140, will be accepting school supplies for the Annual Back to School Supply Drive, which will benefit local elementary schools. Items being collected include new backpacks, pencils, colored pencils, markers, erasers, paper, folders, binders, crayons and glue.

Admission and parking are free. For more information, contact the Glendale Convention and Visitors Bureau at (623) 930-4500 or [click here](#).

**Foothills Dog Park Expansion.** The dog park located in Foothills Park at 57th Avenue north of Union Hills Drive is currently receiving an expansion to the facility.

Over 18,300 square feet of turf is being added. By adding this additional area, a rotational schedule will be used to allow one area of turf to rest and recuperate while the other area is in use. A small dog and large dog area will be available for use in every rotation. The rotation schedule will allow for less maintenance issues and better turf for the users.

The new section will have three new shade structures, benches, garbage cans and pooper scoopers.

The expansion will be completed and open for use by the public on Sunday, Aug. 1. The Foothills Dog Park is open from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., Thursday-Tuesday and closed on Wednesdays.

## New Hours at Glendale Libraries

Glendale Main Library  
5959 W. Brown St. • (623) 930-3530

Monday..... 1-8 p.m.  
Tuesday..... 10 a.m.-8 p.m.  
Wednesday..... 1-8 p.m.  
Thursday..... 10 a.m.-8 p.m.  
Friday..... Closed  
Saturday ..... Noon-5 p.m.  
Sunday ..... 1-5 p.m.

Foothills Branch Library  
19055 N. 57th Ave. • (623) 930-3830

Monday..... 1-8 p.m.  
Tuesday..... 10 a.m.-8 p.m.  
Wednesday..... 10 a.m.-8 p.m.  
Thursday..... Closed  
Friday..... 1-5 p.m.  
Saturday ..... Noon-5 p.m.  
Sunday ..... Closed

Velma Teague Branch Library  
7010 N. 58th Ave. • (623) 930-3430

Monday..... 1-8 p.m.  
Tuesday..... 10 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Wednesday..... 10 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Thursday..... 1-8 p.m.  
Friday..... Closed  
Saturday ..... 1-5 p.m.  
Sunday ..... Closed

### CONSTRUCTION INFORMATION

After the series of nightly Loop 101 (Agua Fria Freeway) closures last week to set bridge girders, the Union Hills Drive project is progressing with work to continue with the bridge widening. However, there will likely be more nightly freeway closures later in July.

Also, next week two closures are planned to allow for paving the northbound on-ramp at Union Hills Drive. The closures are planned at night to limit the impact to area drivers and the ramp will re-open in time for morning rush hour traffic.

#### UPCOMING RESTRICTIONS

On-ramp at Union Hills Drive closed for paving. DETOUR: 75th Avenue to Loop 101.

- 10 p.m. Tuesday - 5 a.m. Wednesday (July 14)
- 10 p.m. Wednesday - 5 a.m. Thursday (July 15)

#### ONGOING RESTRICTIONS

The southbound Loop 101 on-ramp at 75th Avenue will be closed until late November to reconstruct the ramp.

[Read more.](#)

**Reel Talk Film Series.** E.T.: The Extra-Terrestrial (1982), starring Dee Wallace, Henry Thomas, Drew Barrymore will play at 1 p.m., Saturday, July 10 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. Join film expert Jeannie Berg in the Auditorium. For more information, call (623) 930-3573.

**Recession Response.** Learn how to make a resume and save it on a free flash drive supplied by the library. The class is being taught by Glendale Community College instructor Kate Sylvester at 1 p.m., Saturday, July 10 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. To register, call (623) 930-3531 and press "5" or stop at the Reference Desk. [Click here](#) for more job searching help.

**Summer Band Concert, July 15.** Enjoy renditions of marches, ballads and show tunes at 8 p.m., Thursday evenings through July 22. It's FREE and the entire family is welcome! The concerts take place in Historic Downtown Glendale at the Glendale Amphitheater, 5850 W. Glendale Ave. [Click here](#) for more information.

**World Records Day.** Think you've got what it takes to break a Guinness World Record? If so, come join the fun and give it your best shot at the Foothills 4<sup>th</sup> Annual World Records Day. A variety of established world records are waiting to be broken from 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, July 17 at Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Rd. For more information, call (623) 930-4609.

**Authors @ the Teague.** "New York Times" bestselling crime novelist Lisa Gardner will discuss and sign the fourth entry in her D.D. Warren series, "Live to Tell," during the upcoming Authors @ the Teague event at 2 p.m. on Monday, July 19 at Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58<sup>th</sup> Ave. The program is free. Books will be available for purchase and signing. For more information, call (623) 930-3439.

**Hook-A-Kid On Golf.** Spaces are still available for children ages 8-15 to participate in the Hook-A-Kid On Golf summer clinic. The clinic will be held from 8 to 11 a.m., Monday through Friday, July 19-23 at the Desert Mirage Golf Course, 8710 W. Maryland Ave. Participants should bring water, sun screen and money for snacks at the pro shop. The cost is \$200 for Glendale Residents and \$240 for non-residents and includes group lessons, a set of golf clubs and golf bag, apparel, hat and golf balls. To register by July 15, call (623) 930-2820. [Scholarships](#) are available to eligible Glendale youth.

**Authors @ the Teague.** Kathy Cano-Murillo, a.k.a "The Crafty Chica," will discuss and sign her first novel, "Waking Up in the Land of Glitter," during the next Authors @ the Teague. The event takes place at 2 p.m. on Saturday, August 7 at Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave. The program is free. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

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